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Hiroshi Usuda

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2005,  
finally rejecting claims 74-136, please amend the above-  
identified U.S. patent application as follows: